

rotation of the mask stage and a second linear motor by means of which the mask stage can be positioned over comparatively great movement parallel to the first direction.--

--31. The lithographic device as claimed in claim 30, wherein the magnet system and the electric coil system belong to the first linear motor, while the second linear motor comprises a stationary part and a movable part which is displaceable parallel to the first direction over a guide of the stationary part, the magnet system of the first linear motor being fastened to the mask stage and the electric coil system of the first linear motor being fastened to the movable part of the second linear motor.--

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REMARKS

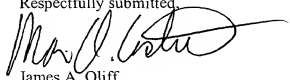
Claims 1-31 are pending. By this Amendment, claims 1, 11, 16, 19 and 27 are amended for clarity. Additionally, claims 28-31 are added.

New claims 28 and 30 substantially correspond to claim 1 of U.S. Patent No. 5,767,948. Additionally, new claims 29 and 31 substantially correspond to claim 14 of U.S. Patent No. 5,767,948. See 37 C.F.R. §1.607(c).

A copy of U.S. Patent No. 5,767,948 is enclosed with the attached Information Disclosure Statement. The Information Disclosure Statement also provides copies of all references of record in U.S. Patent No. 5,767,948. The Information Disclosure Statement also provides copies of all references of record in the parent application of the present application. A copy of JP 63-128713 and English Abstract also are enclosed. Additionally, please note that U.S. Patent No. 4,952,858 is in the same patent family as JP2-35709, and U.S. Patent No. 5,620,814 is in the same patent family as DE 4333620. All of these references are enclosed with the Information Disclosure Statement.

Examination and allowance in due course are earnestly solicited. The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney if there are any questions.

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